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For: *CLONING AND REGULATION OF AN ENDOTHELIAL CELL  
PROTEIN C/ACTIVATED PROTEIN C RECEPTOR*

*PRE AMENDMENT  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please amend the specification and claims as follows. An Information Disclosure Statement is also enclosed.

**In the Specification**

Page 1, delete the priority information and insert in place thereof, --This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/182,616, filed on October 29, 1998, which is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 08/878, 283, filed on June 18, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,852,171, which is a Divisional of U. S. Serial No. 08/289,699, filed on August 12, 1994, now U. S. Patent No. 5,695,993, by Kenji Fukudome and Charles T. Esmon entitled "*Cloning and Regulation of an Endothelial Cell Protein C/Activated Protein C Receptor.*"--